

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 951

By Faison

A RESOLUTION to commend Representative Bruce Griffey for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this General Assembly should honor those fellow legislators who have performed their duties with the utmost integrity and whose efforts during their time in office have been dedicated to providing thoughtful and exemplary service to their districts and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Representative Bruce Griffey of Paris is one such distinguished public servant who has served both his constituency and this legislative body with honor and ability; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Representative Griffey has been a highly influential figure in the political, social, and civic life of Henry, Benton, and Stewart counties, and he has served his constituents in numerous capacities, always working diligently at his elected duties and expending the necessary effort to understand the opposing sides of complex issues; and

WHEREAS, Bruce Griffey has distinguished himself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to the good people of the 75th House District, whom he has served as a member of the 111th and 112th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, throughout his service, Bruce Griffey has been prominent as a dedicated and well-informed legislator who always votes his conscience; and

WHEREAS, as an active and dynamic participant in the legislative process during his time in the General Assembly, Representative Griffey has rendered sterling service as vice chair of the House Transportation Committee and a member of the House Judiciary Committee, the House Naming, Designating, and Private Acts Committee, the House Civil Justice Committee, the House Criminal Justice Committee, the House Education Instruction Committee, the House Safety and Funding Subcommittee, the House Constitutional Protections and Sentencing

Subcommittee, the House Education Instruction Subcommittee, the House Civil Justice Subcommittee, and the House Criminal Justice Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, Representative Griffey further served as a member of the Public Safety Committee of the Second Extraordinary Session of the 111th General Assembly and as a member of the Commerce Committee of the Second Extraordinary Session of the 112th General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, Representative Griffey is a family man and community leader, and he has proven that citizens can make a difference by being involved in community service and leading by example; and

WHEREAS, a former law clerk to Honorable Odell Horton (deceased), Bruce Griffey obtained both his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science and Juris Doctor degree at the University of Mississippi; he formerly served as assistant attorney general for the State and assistant district attorney general for the 24th Judicial District; and

WHEREAS, Representative Griffey is a member of First United Methodist Church; he is also a member of the NRA and Tennessee Firearms Association; and

WHEREAS, his many civic and professional accomplishments aside, Bruce Griffey is most appreciative of the love and support he shares with his wife, Rebecca, and two children, Madeleine and Mary-Alison; and

WHEREAS, throughout his outstanding career as a public servant, Representative Bruce Griffey has worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents, bringing to his office an honorable bearing and the traditional values of hard work and common sense; and

WHEREAS, Representative Bruce Griffey is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized for his exemplary tenure in the General Assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TWELFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Representative Bruce Griffey for his meritorious service

to Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives, commend him for his countless contributions and many good works in service of the citizens of the 75th House District, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy and upon proper request made to the appropriate clerk, the language appearing immediately following the State seal appear without House or Senate designation.